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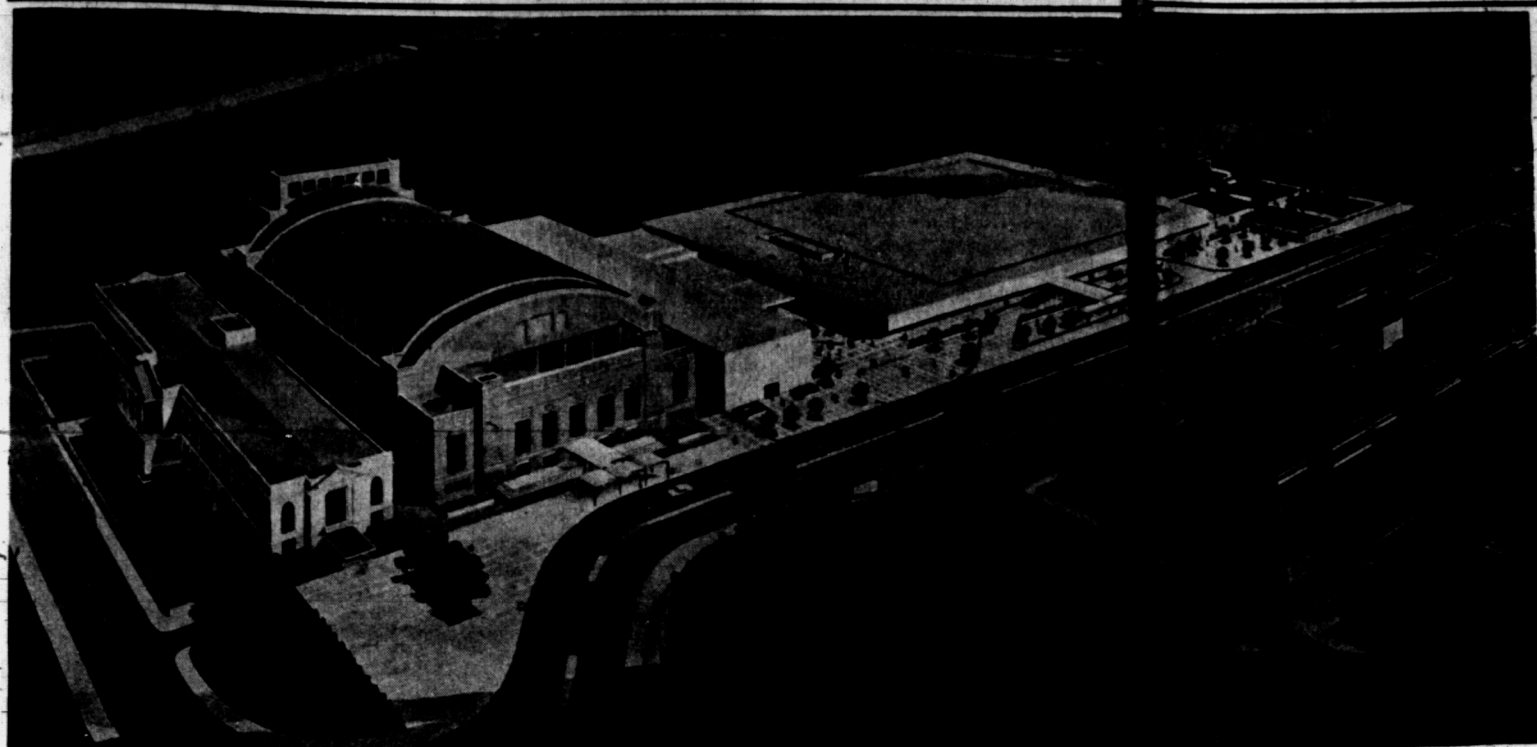
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Philadelphia Civic Center Where Southern Baptist Convention Will Meet June 6-8

The Southern Baptist Convention and several related meetings will be held in the huge Philadelphia Civic Center the week beginning June 4. The week will begin to unfold on Sunday when Woman's Missionary Union holds a

musical historical salute to Philadelphia and to missions. All convention-goers and Baptists of all varieties in the northeast are invited to participate. Time is 5:30.

The Family Unit May Become Stronger, Speaker Declares

"The family has fallen on hard times, though the changes are more one of degree than kind," declared Dr. John N. Burrus, Distinguished Professor, University of Southern Mississippi, in the opening address of Family Life Conference in Hattiesburg.

He cited the change of roles, economic redefinitions, concept of personal sovereignty (almost everything is considered a matter of opinion), peer group influence, permissiveness and other factors contributing to changes in the family life style. Dr. Burrus stated he was optimistic that the family unit may become even stronger as we learn to use the new patterns that are evolving.

The conference, held at the First Baptist Church of Hattiesburg, was co-sponsored by the Christian Action Commission, the Lebanon Baptist Association and the First Baptist Church.

Speaking on "Family Money Management," Dr. James M. Dunn, Dallas, Texas, said, "If you want to know what a man values, do not look at his daily schedule, look at his check book stubs." Quoting a Texas psychiatrist, he stated, "The most common

and most neglected illness in America is money sickness." In speaking of a Christian emphasis on the making of money, Dr. Dunn said, "We must plan to make good uses of money and such planning includes how we

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Southern Baptist Convention

June 6-8, 1972 Convention Hall, Civic Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

THEME: "Proclaim Liberty to All"

OFFICERS: Carl E. Bates, president; pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.

James H. Landes, first vice president; pastor, First Baptist Church, Richardson, Tex.

Warren C. Hultgren, second vice president; pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.

Clifton J. Allen, recording secretary; retired editorial secretary, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

W. Fred Kendall, registration secretary; executive secretary,

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Annuitant Board Head Urges New Services

DALLAS (BP) — The new president of the Southern Baptist Annuitant Board said here the board must launch out into "relatively untouched" areas which are particularly the responsibility of the Annuitant Board.

In his inaugural statement as the board's new chief executive, Darold H. Morgan said these two fields include pre-retirement guidance and help other than financial to those already retired.

The annuity Board now provides monthly retirement benefits to almost 7,500 retired persons who have served Southern Baptists as pastors, other employees of churches or as denominational workers.

It also handles retirement plans for 36,000 more people still active in these classifications. It invests their contributions to earn interest which will increase their post-retirement income.

But, according to Morgan, the Annuitant Board must do more than maintain its existing financial ministry. It must be involved in "pre-retirement guidance as well as post-retirement help beyond the monthly check for the minister and denominational employee."

Morgan pledged to maintain continuity of Annuitant Board ministries turned over to his management by R. Alton Reed, who retired March 1 after more than 19 years as an officer of the Dallas-based agency. Seventeen of those years were as the board's chief executive.

"Every effort, humanly and divinely possible, will be used to continue and even deepen this integrity the Annuitant Board enjoys throughout the Southern Baptist Convention," Morgan promised. "The greatest single advantage the Annuitant Board possesses is the trust of our denomination, a relationship slowly but steadfastly built over five decades of Christian service."

He hailed "the extraordinary effectiveness" of his predecessor during the past two decades of "unprecedented expansion."

Reed participated in the service installing his successor.

Morgan said the board will concern itself with questions of early retirement, ministries for those who do not view the ministry as a lifetime call-

ing, and help for those caught up in the increasing pressures against the ministry."

He also said: "Concern is the key word as we work to tailor our programs to meet these pressing needs, and in addition minister to two of Southern Baptists' greatest assets — an abundance of exceptionally qualified younger ministers, and vigorous and expanding Baptist institutions."

Following "continuity" and "con-

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Owen Elected Kentucky Executive

LOUISVILLE (BP) — Franklin P. Owen, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Lexington, Ky., for the past 18 years, has been elected executive secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, effective Sept. 1.

Owen, elected to the post in a called meeting of the Kentucky Convention Executive Board, will succeed Harold G. Sanders, who is retiring in August after 11 years in the convention's top executive position.

Owen will become executive secretary-elect on June 1, and spend three months working with Sanders in an orientation period, and in visiting associations and churches in the state.

Owen was recommended to the post by a special committee of the board as the committee's unanimous choice, but the action by the full board was not unanimous.

Opposition arose from the floor to his nomination at two points — the salary proposed for the position, and Owen's stand on the question of baptism.

Terry Sills, pastor of Singing Springs Baptist Church near Murray, Ky., ob-

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Church-State Battle Roundup Includes 17 States

The Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain College

honoring

Doctor Edward Harold Fisher

on the occasion of his election as president

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

Sunday, the twelfth of March

Nineteen hundred and seventy-two

from three until five o'clock

Village Club

20 Northhill Parkway - off East Northside Drive

Jackson, Mississippi

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — Church-state controversies over public assistance to church schools and colleges are ranging in 17 states, according to a "battle roundup" report issued by Americans United for Separation of Church and State. In South Carolina, Virginia, Montana, Idaho and Oregon advocates of state aid to church institutions are seeking to change constitutional provisions governing church-state relations. The changes sought are in the direction of relaxing the strictures on state aid to church schools, both elementary schools and colleges. In South Carolina, for example, an effort is underway to eliminate the provision which bans "indirect state aid" to church institutions. Sponsors of the proposal feel that this will enable the state to aid church schools by such "indirect" devices as "aid to parents" and "aid to students."

In Virginia, a well-coordinated effort by administrators of the state's church-related colleges seeks passage of a law which will provide for tuition aid for their students. This de-

spite a constitutional provision which bans appropriations to "schools or institutions of learning not owned or exclusively controlled by the state."

In Oregon, an organized effort is underway to relax the church-state strictures of that state's constitution so as to permit some forms of parochial aid. In Montana, a powerful church lobby pressures the Constitutional Convention to delete the section providing for strict separation of church and state and to substitute the vaguer language of the First Amendment to the Federal Constitution. Churchmen feel that this would make possi-

ble some forms of state aid to their institutions.

In Idaho, a proposed constitutional amendment would enable the state to pay for transportation to parochial schools. Pennsylvania has already authorized \$50 million in parochial aid in the form of grants to parents of students at parochial schools. The most commonly sought forms of aid in the 17 states under scrutiny would be in the form of "tuition vouchers" or "tax credits," but such aids as bus transportation and textbooks are also being sought in certain states.

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Nixon Phoned Billy Graham From China

VERO BEACH, Fla. (EP) — President Richard M. Nixon, during his historic week in Mainland China, telephoned Evangelist Billy Graham from Peking.

"I suppose it was the first time the words 'God' and 'prayer' had been used in a communication between China and America in many years," the evangelist told the Associated Press.

Dr. Graham said Mr. Nixon told him he was thinking about Mrs. Graham and the fact that she was born and reared in China. "The President often calls me, but to have him call from Peking was unexpected. It was a thrill I shall never forget," the preacher said.

Former State Man In New BSSB Post

NASHVILLE (BP) — D. Lewis White, a consultant in the Sunday School department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board since 1964, has been named board outreach consultant for the board, according to Sunday School Secretary A. V. Washburn.

"Dr. White will plan projects and promotion that will introduce and interpret bus outreach as a major approach in increasing the number of persons involved in Bible study," said Washburn.

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Baptists - Before 1845

A Look Into Baptist Backgrounds

By Dick H. Hall, Jr.
Pastor Emeritus

First Baptist Church of Decatur, Ga.

(This is the first of a series of four articles dealing with Baptists up to 1845. The others will be: II-Baptists Beginnings; III - Baptist Struggles in America; IV - The Baptist Contribution to Freedom.)

In Zurich, Switzerland in 1523, Dr. Joseph Norderhaug, then president of our Baptist Seminary there and later Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, took our party to a certain house on New Market Street. (It must have been "new" some 500 years ago, for it is too narrow for cars today.) On this house is a plaque which reads:

"In this house
1508-1514 and 1520-1525,

Lived Conrad Grebel,
Who, along with Felix Manz,
Founded the Baptist Movement."

Those who would trace an unbroken succession of Baptist churches, find some resemblance in many of the sects which throughout the centuries, professed the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church. George A. Lofton in his A Review of the Question mentions "Manichaeans, Montanists, Novatians, Donatists, Paulicians, Perihens, Cathari, Albigenes, and others." He comments (p. 12), "Through all these sects, in some of them more and in others less, there were traces of Baptist principles and polity; but much of their doctrine and practice would now be recognized by Baptists as disorderly and unorthodox."

The Petrobrusians and the Walden-

ses, both founded in the 12th century, the latter still in existence, held to many of our beliefs, but were different in some ways to present day Baptists.

It seems, however, that Baptists have a definite linkage with the Anabaptists in Switzerland.

Luther began his Reformation in 1517. Shortly after this, and independently of it, Ulrich Zwingli, priest of the Grossmunster (great church) in Zurich began to reform his church. He was joined by Conrad Grebel, Felix Manz and others. Soon Grebel and Manz became impatient with Zwingli for his slowness in abolishing the mass and images, and in reforming the observance of the Lord's Supper. They also came to believe through their study of the Greek New Test-

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Dixon



Lawton



Cole



Hendrix

Eight Church Training Workshops Ready

Eight associations in the state will host area Church Training workshops on "How To Plan A Unit of Study" March 27-31.

Each workshop will feature a staff of eleven outstanding age-division specialists from all over the Southern Baptist Convention, Texas to Florida to Maryland, and will include three from the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Shown above are four of the twenty-two workshop leaders who will lead

church training workers of Mississippi churches to experience unit planning March 27-31.

They are Miss Florrie Anne Lawton, preschool specialist from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Judy Hendrix, children's worker, North Carolina Church Training Department; Tommy Dixon, youth director, Texas Church Training Department; Vernon Cole, adult associate, Kentucky Church Training Department.

"These workshops will have as their purpose to lead each person attending to experience the planning of a unit of study, using the curriculum materials which will be studied in training groups and departments during April, May, and June." According to Kermit S. King, director of Church Training Department, sponsor.

Conferences will be divided according to the periodical being used.

Target groups for the workshops

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SBC Mission Gifts Approach \$18 Million In Two Months

NASHVILLE (BP)—During the first two months of 1972, Southern Baptists have given \$17.98 million to world missions, an increase of more than \$700,000, or 4.1 per cent over the amount contributed for the same period last year.

The \$17.9 million total includes \$5.3 million contributed through the denominations Cooperation Program unified budget plan, plus \$12.6 million in designated gifts to specific world mission causes, mostly foreign missions.

Biggest increase came in designated giving, with \$790,645 more given to specific mission causes in the first two months of 1972, compared to the same period in 1971. Designations were up 6.6 per cent comparing the two periods.

Because of a 13 per cent increase in January of 1971 in Cooperative Program giving which inflated the 1971 totals to an unusually high amount, Cooperative Program contributions for the first two months of 1972 were actually 1.53 per cent lower than Cooperative Program gifts for January-February 1971, according to John H. Williams, financial planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee which prepared the report.

During February, Cooperative Pro-

gram gifts totalled \$2.5 million, an increase of \$75,878, or 3.09 percent over February 1971 Cooperative Program gifts.

Williams said the February increase almost offset a 5.38 per cent decrease recorded in January due to the inflated amount in January 1971 when an unusually large check which should have arrived in December was delayed until January.

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In New York, where a \$33 million parochial law was recently struck down by the court, legislators are already seeking other devices to channel these funds into parochial schools.

The following states have parochial problems with various proposals receiving consideration in the legislature: Arizona, California, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin. (Most of the proposals are in the form of "tuition grants" or "tax credits" for parents or students and are either for the elementary and secondary schools, or for higher institutions of learning, or both.)

Allen Comish Tells Baptist Leaders Of Growth Priority, Simplification

NASHVILLE — A priority of growth and simplification of materials and programs were among items discussed at the third Church Services and Materials Division President's Conference recently at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Baptist leaders serving as state presidents of music, religious education and pastors conferences were invited to come to the board for the meeting which dealt with the direction which the division will take in the near future.

practical approach to their materials and programs," Allen B. Comish, director, church services and materials division, said.

"We will continue to provide variety," thus enabling churches to fit the program and materials to their immediate situation and needs.

"One of our major priorities will be growth," he said.

Two periods of general discussion were held. Questions from state leaders were discussed as well as ideas

exchanged and programs and materials evaluated from the standpoint of the local church.

Turner pointed out a number of improvements that were being made to simplify the church literature order form. He indicated the helps such as the Church Literature Guidebook, the Church Literature Selection Guide and the "Mailbag," which are available to help interpret literature offerings.

H. S. Simpson, manager, materials service department, reported that the filling of orders for the January-March quarter had been completed seven workdays earlier than normal through scheduling for work an hour overtime each shipping day.

This action meant that all churches benefited by receiving their materials in the church prior to the last Sunday in the quarter.

Miss Ethel McKeithen, Minister of Education, Temple Church, Hattiesburg, represented Mississippi at this meeting and reports it was very helpful in every way.



President's Conference at BSSB

NASHVILLE—Miss Ethel McKeithen (right), president, Mississippi Religious Education Association, talks with Allen B. Comish, director, church services and materials division, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, during a recent meeting of state presidents of religious education, music and pastors conferences.



First, Horn Lake, Burns Note; Is Debt-Free

First Church of Horn Lake, now debt-free, held a note-burning ceremony on Feb. 20. J. G. Allen, Sr., chairman of trustees, ignited the note held by W. R. Wooten, treasurer. Looking on as the note was burned were: Rev. Billy E. Roby, pastor; E. A. McMaster, chairman of deacons; J. G. Allen, chairman of trustees; Jim McDaniel, Finance Committee member; James F. Glover, Finance Committee chairman; Donald Ray Chambliss,

Chairman of Expansion Committee at the time the note was made; Mrs. Ouida Rochester, Finance Committee member; Vernon Hobbs, Finance Committee member; Harold Von Bochner, Finance Committee member and W. R. Wooten, treasurer. Present on the platform but hidden from view was Boyd Hardin, trustee. Former pastor, Rev. Robert C. Cannon, was invited but was to be out of town and therefore unable to attend.

Mass Media Approach Sends Missions To Mississippi Homes

YAZOO CITY, Miss. (BP)—It was a unique approach — utilizing six top denominational leaders, eight foreign missionaries, four top state Baptist leaders and ten missions films to beam missions messages through 21 telecasts to practically every home in west central Mississippi and south-east Arkansas.

It wasn't a Billy Graham extravaganza. Instead, the event was the Central Delta World Missions Conference sponsored by eight Baptist associations in the area.

Unlike the scores of other World Missions Conferences conducted this spring throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, the Central Delta conference did not depend completely on the traditional method of using church meetings with mission speakers.

By pooling their resources and ideas, the Central Delta World Missions Conference steering committee purchased television time to communicate their missions message to a message audience, in addition to a series of area, association and church meetings.

The secretary of the steering committee, Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, called the approach a new dimension in taking world missions to all the people. Cooper, president of the Mississippi and Coastal Chemical Corp., is chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and a strong supporter of world missions.

Using Station WABG of Greenwood, Greenville, a CBS affiliate, as the hub of communications, the eight associations beamed a week-long series of missions programs from 7:30 a. m. to 11 p. m. to complement an equally ambitious series of area, association, and church meetings, using a wide variety of mission focuses and approaches.

Among the Southern Baptist leaders who brought missions directly into the homes of central Mississippians by television were Arthur Rutledge, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board; Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, and Jesse Fletcher, director of mission support, both of the Foreign Mission Board; Glendon McCullough, executive secretary of the SBC Brotherhood Commission; Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of Woman's Missionary Union; Paul Stevens, executive secretary of the Radio and Television Commission; and Cooper.

Three leaders of the Mississippi Baptist Convention told the story of state missions. They were W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary; F. O.

Yagers, director of state missions; and Dick Brogan, director of work with National Baptists.

Also presenting the work of state missions was John Baker of Rapid City, S. D., executive secretary of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, which covers North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana.

Central Mississippians also took a look into Southern Baptist missions efforts in six foreign countries through the eyes of Southern Baptist missionaries Ervin Haste and James Philpot, Mexico; Ed Trott, Brazil; Jim Young, Pakistan; Sammy Simpson and Richard Clements, Ecuador; Mrs. Parkes Marler, Guam; and Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, Nigeria.

Agricultural missions received special emphasis because many of the people in the Central Delta operate farms.

Three associations brought farmers together in county-wide meetings for conferences with agricultural missionaries and for an area meeting for an address by Cauthen.

The story of missions also was communicated through area and association meetings of deacons, WMU workers, businessmen and in addresses to civic clubs.

Mission conference leaders arranged two receptions to acquaint Mississippi Baptists with the missionaries personally. Among the special meetings was a session for persons retiring during the next 15 years. It featured post retirement opportunities for mission service.

Associations participating in the conference were Holmes, LeFlore, Yazoo, Carroll, Sunflower, Humphreys, Washington, Bolivar, and Sharkey-Issaquena.

James F. Yates of Yazoo City was convener of the steering committee. On the committee with Cooper were Odie Henderson of Cleveland, Lavon Hatten of Winona, Clay Self of Lexington, Arnold Guy of Belzoni, Jimmy Dukes of Greenwood, Carl Dunaway of Anguilla, J. P. Everett of Sartia, and J. D. Lundy of Greenville.

Eight Church Training -

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are all preschool, children's and youth workers in church training, and all youth and adult study leaders for the April-June quarter.

Workshops are scheduled March 27 at East McComb Church, McComb, and Calvary Church, Tupelo; March 28 at Alta Woods Church, Jackson, and Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian; March 30 at First Church, Greenville, and Temple Church, Hattiesburg; and March 31 at First Church, Batesville, and First Church, Biloxi. Each will begin at 7 p. m.

Persons planning to attend are urged to bring with them their church training periodicals for April - June since the meeting is scheduled as a workshop with actual planning being done rather than a period of instruction in how to plan.

Owen Elected

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jected to the baptism policy of Calvary Baptist Church where Owen is pastor, pointing out that the church accepts as valid the baptism of a person by another denomination, if that person was baptized by immersion following a profession of faith in Christ.

David Elliott, pastor of Blue Spring Baptist Church near Madisonville, Ky., read a passage from a 1968 issue of the Review and Expositor in which Owen expressed his views on baptism, and asked that the board delay any decision for at least 15 days. Elliott said it was unfair to vote on a nominee about whom no information had been given prior to the board meeting.

John Huffman, chairman of the committee to nominate an executive secretary and pastor of First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky., stated that Owen told the committee that he accepted wholeheartedly the Baptist Faith and Message statement on baptism and other doctrinal matters, and that this was good enough for the committee.

Richard De Bell, pastor of First Baptist Church in Bedford, Ky., made a motion to amend the committee's recommendation by reducing the proposed housing allowance for the executive secretary to the same level currently allowed, but the amendment failed 84-3.

Vote on the committee's nomination passed by a margin of 73-14, which Huffman said was "about as much unanimity as possible for any person to receive in Kentucky at this time."

Owen, pastor of the 2,500-member Lexington Church since 1954, is a former president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, and a former chairman of the board of trustees for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. He also was president of the seminary's alumni association in 1967.



Jackson Store Wins National Award

Charles Clark (left), manager of the Baptist Book Store, receives a national award for the Best Direct Mail Campaign in 1970-71 during the Baptist Book Stores' recent Awards Banquet. The Jackson store is one of 55 retail book stores owned and operated by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Each of these stores is eligible to enter the annual awards competition. Bill Graham (right), manager of the Book Store Division's Eastern Stores Department, makes the presentation to Clark.



Grace Memorial Breaks Ground

The Grace Memorial Church in Pearl River County held a ground-breaking ing service for a pastored Sunday morning, February 6 immediately after the regular worship service. Pictured above is a part of the congregation who took part in the ceremony. Front row, standing left to right is the Finance Committee: Mrs. Honore Seal, Mrs. Clifton Davis, Mrs. Elva Stewart, Mr. Jack Brunson, Mr. Clarence Frierson, Chairman, and Eli Alsobrooks. Next is the Building Committee: L to R: Mr. Ed Breeland, Mr. Clifton Seal, (Shovel in hand), Chairman and construction Foreman, Mr. Doyle Whitfield. Not Pictured are Mr. Bennie Wright and Mr. James Stewart. Kneeling is the pastor, J. R. Boutwell.

The building will consist of a concrete slab foundation, brick veneer, four bedrooms, living room, kitchen and den, two full baths, utility room, double carport, centrally heated and air-conditioned. The majority of the labor has been pledged by volunteers and construction is already underway.

Grace Memorial Baptist Church is located on the lower Jackson Landing Road near Nicholson.



Rev. and Mrs. Wallace are seen with two of their children, Julia, a student at MC, (left) and Sarah, a senior in high school. David, the oldest, student at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. could not be present.

Enterprise Church Honors Pastor

On January 30th, The Enterprise Church honored its pastor, Rev. Taylor H. Wallace with a reception. Mr. Wallace has served the church for the past ten years.

The church has made much progress during his tenure as pastor. The budget has been enlarged approximately \$11,000. One hundred fifty members have been added and there is a feeling of togetherness and friendliness among the members that never existed before.

All associational pastors and officers were invited to the reception. Many friends called during the two hour period.

The family was presented a beautiful set of flatware from the church.

Revival Dates

First, Louise: March 12-17; Rev. Aubrey Jones, pastor, Holly Bluff, evangelist; Rev. John L. Jones, pastor; services at 7:30 p.m.

NEWS BRIEFS

DENVER, Colo. (EP)—The 65th annual meeting of the American Baptist Convention, built on the theme "New Dimensions of Faithfulness," is expected to draw more than 6,000 delegates to this city's Convention Complex, May 10-14, 1972.

SCHERERVILLE, Ind. (EP)—A complex of 17 buildings will be erected here and called "Baptist City," according to Rev. Jack Hyles, pastor of First Baptist Church in Hammond. The "city" will be an educational retirement and shopping center. Dr. Hyles said a high school and Bible college will go up first. A small shopping center will provide retirement people with needed services, he said.

NEW YORK (EP)—An eight-page newspaper entitled Great News has been introduced by the New York Bible Society International to make the Bible a part of today's street scene. Designed like the underground press periodicals, the paper uses contemporary idiom and art to give the text—the Gospel of John—a distinctly counter-cultural look.

FORT WORTH (EP)—Married couples should undergo annual "marriage checkups," a Dallas pastor suggests. "My wife and I do that each year with a professionally trained, Christian counselor," said the Rev. Nathan Stone, associate pastor of Wilshire Baptist church in Dallas. The procedure has been helpful, he added. "It really helps us clear the air and take preventive measures on problems or misunderstandings which may be developing." Mr. Stone offered his suggestion to participants at the three-day Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission Workshop here at Southeastern Seminary.

Southern Baptist Convention

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Tennessee Baptist Convention, Brentwood, Tenn.
Porter W. Routh, treasurer; executive secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.
W. C. Fields, press representative; public relations secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.
William J. Reynolds, music director; secretary, church music department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
Don Hustad, organist; professor of church music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
Max Lyall, pianist; associate professor of music, Belmont College, Nashville, Tenn.
Lee Porter, chairman, Committee on Order of Business; pastor, First Baptist Church of Bellaire, Houston, Tex.

PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS Tuesday Morning, June 6

- 9:15 Music for Inspiration — First Baptist Church, Clarendon Choir, Arlington, Va. Paul Welleford, Director
- 9:30 Call to Order
- Congregational Singing
- Special Music—Paul McCommon, secretary, church music department, Georgia Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga.
- Theme Meditation—Clarence W. Cranford, pastor emeritus, Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.
- 9:50 Report of Registration and Constituting of the Convention—W. Fred Kendall, registration secretary; executive secretary, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Brentwood, Tenn.
- Committee on Order of Business—Lee Porter, chairman; pastor, First Baptist Church of Bellaire, Houston, Tex.
- 9:55 Welcome
- 10:05 Announcement of Committee on Committees, Committee on Resolutions, and Tellers
- 10:10 Special Music — George Austin, layman, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.
- 10:15 Presidential Address—Carl E. Bates, pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.
- 10:55 Congregational Singing
- 11:00 Introduction of Resolutions
- 11:15 Executive Committee Report (first section)
- 12:00 Miscellaneous Business
- 12:15 Benediction

Tuesday Afternoon, June 6

- 2:15 Music for Inspiration—Combined Youth Choirs, Urban Park Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex., and First Baptist Church, Houston, Tex.
- 2:30 Congregational Singing
- Theme Meditation — Clarence W. Cranford
- 2:45 Miscellaneous Business
- 3:00 Election of Officers
- Recognition of Past Presidents
- 3:30 Executive Committee Report (final section)
- 4:00 Election of Officers
- Introduction of Resolutions
- Ambassador Service National Award
- Miscellaneous Business
- 4:30 Benediction

Tuesday Evening, June 6

- 6:45 Music for Inspiration—The Centurymen, Beryl Red, musical director
- 7:00 Congregational Singing
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:15 Pageant by SBC Historical Commission, and Music by The Centurymen and special symphony orchestra
- 8:15 Convention Sermon—E. Hermond Westmoreland, pastor emeritus, South Main Baptist Church, Houston, Tex.
Alternate: Charles R. Walker, pastor, First Baptist Church, Marion, Illinois
- 9:00 Benediction—James H. Price, pastor emeritus, First Baptist Church, Newport News, Va.

Wednesday Morning, June 7

- 9:15 Music for Inspiration—First Baptist Church Choir, Laurel, Md., Albin Crutchfield, director
- 9:30 Congregational Singing
- Special Music—Lee Castro, evangelistic singer, Wichita Falls, Tex.
- Theme Meditation—Clarence W. Cranford
- 9:50 Election of Officers
- 10:05 Committee on Resolutions (first report)
- 10:25 Committee on Committees
- Committee on Boards
- 10:30 Sunday School Board Report
- 11:30 Congregational Singing
- 11:35 Student Program—"Students Speak Up"
- 12:00 Election of Officers
- Miscellaneous Business
- 12:45 Benediction

Wednesday Afternoon, June 7 No Convention Session

Wednesday Evening, June 7

- 3:45 Music for Inspiration—North Carolina Singing Churchmen
- 7:00 Congregational Singing—directed by Cliff Barrows, Billy Graham Evangelistic Team
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:10 Education Commission Report
- 7:20 SBC Seminaries—"The Call of the Ministry"
- 8:20 Address—Billy Graham, assisted by members of the Graham Evangelistic Team
- 9:30 Benediction

Thursday Morning, June 8

- 9:15 Music for Inspiration—The Hear and Now Singers, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., Bob Burroughs, musical director
- 9:30 Congregational Singing
- Special Music—Janall Badry, evangelistic singer, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Theme Meditation — Clarence W. Cranford
- 9:50 Resolutions Committee (final report)
- 10:20 Commission on the American Baptist Theological Seminary Report
- 10:25 Denominational Calendar Committee Report
- 10:30 Committee on Baptist State Papers Report
- 10:35 Radio and Television Commission Report
- 10:40 Committee on Public Affairs Report
- 10:45 Baptist World Alliance Report
- 10:55 Congregational Singing
- 11:00 Address—Leon Sullivan, pastor, Zion Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa., and founder and chairman, Opportunities Industrialization Center National Institute
- 11:20 Christian Life Commission Report
- 11:30 Woman's Missionary Union Report
- 11:40 Brotherhood Commission Report
- 11:50 Miscellaneous Business
- 12:30 Benediction

Thursday Afternoon, June 8

- 2:15 Music for Inspiration—Oklahoma Singing Churchmen, James Woodward, musical director
- 2:30 Congregational Singing
- Theme Meditation—Clarence W. Cranford
- 2:45 Recognition of Fraternal Messengers
- 2:50 Message—Roger L. Fredrikson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, S. D., and former president, American Baptist Convention
- 3:15 Southern Baptist Foundation Report
- 3:20 Annuity Board Report
- 3:45 Address—President Richard M. Nixon (tentative)
- Benediction

Thursday Evening, June 8

- 6:45 Music for Inspiration—The Centurymen, Beryl Red, musical director
- 7:00 Congregational Singing
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:10 Home Mission Board Report
- 8:10 Presentation of New Officers
- 8:15 Stewardship Commission Report
- 8:30 Foreign Mission Board Report
- 9:30 Benediction and Adjourn



Leaders Confer At Family Life Conference

Several leaders at Family Life Conference held at First Church in Hattiesburg Feb. 28-29 are seen conferring. In photo at left above are, from left, Dr. Wm. P. Clemmons, of Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dr. J. Clark Hensley, executive director of Christian Action Commission; Dr. James E. Dunn, Baptist General

Convention of Texas; and Dr. Harold Rutledge of New Orleans Seminary. In photo at right two leaders are welcomed by the host pastor, Dr. Brooks Wester (at left). Dr. John Drakeford of Southwestern Seminary is in center with Dr. Foy Rogers, director of Cooperative Missions Department at right.

"Family Unit May Become Stronger"

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make money, how we spend money, how we save money, as well as how we give money. He cautioned against buying or charging beyond one's means to pay, stating that to do so is basically dishonest.

Addressing himself to the subject of "The Single Parent," Dr. Harold Rutledge, New Orleans, defined this person as "one who singly performs the parental responsibilities to children" and listed such categories as those who have lost their spouse by death, desertion, divorce, to alcoholism, certain types of mental or chronic illness, long temporary separation, military service, penal institutions and the parent who has never married. In 1970 there were 9,000,000 children in the United States in such families with 7 1/2 million living with the mother. After citing several dangers in the one-parent family, Dr. Rutledge gave several practical suggestions. He cautioned against moving from where roots are established, urged the acceptance of reality and dealing with it and encouraged the pastors and other church leaders in being examples of accepting the one parent family, helping to maintain positive emotions and eliminating negative ones, giving the children emotional support, acceptance, recognition and assistance in securing professional help where such is needed. Dr. Rutledge asserted that single parent homes often need practical help with child care, errands, property maintenance and, just plain physical protection.

Grace To Be Communicated

Later, speaking on the "Church Confronting Divorce," Dr. Rutledge affirmed that God's absolving grace must be communicated in all pastoral care and stated that of all the people in the community, perhaps the ones most deserving of our love and concern are divorcees (both men and women). In speaking of the church's responsibility toward these people, the speaker urged the conference participants to remember that these people are persons for whom Christ died, too. Therefore he made these suggestions: (1) do not look down upon them, (2) counsel with them, (3) attempting reconciliation where possible, (4) recognize that some are emotionally ill, (5) give them a chance to serve and work, and (6) offer full and complete pastoral care. He raised the question, "What are churches doing to prevent divorce — in preparation for marriage or while the divorce is being worked through?"

Dr. Hugh L. Dickens, Supt. of Columbia Public Schools, Columbia, Mississippi, suggested that there should be better communication between the home and the school, whether public or private. Toward the solution of our educational problems and in the family's concern for education, Dr. Dickens observed that the family should become involved in the school system and make contributions through legitimate channels. He encouraged an adoption of a standard of family life, stating that many of our youth's frustrations are due to a lack of standards. For the Christian, he declared the ten commandments to be the written standard, the example of Christ, the "lived" standard, and the spoken standard — "a new commandment I give to you — that you love one another."

Speaking to the subject "The Family Participating in Community Life" Dr. Dunn said that participation was precluded by a faith that allows involvement in the community. "If Christ is indeed Lord, then we are stewards of our liberties, our opportunities, our freedoms," he stated. "This kind of faith leads to our being opposed to what is hurting people and our being active for what will help people."

Lobbying Approved

Dr. Dunn stated that lobbying before the city council or school board could be an expression of Christian love, and that we must have a view of politics that encourages involvement. "Politics is dirty no more or less than the people who participate in the decision," he stated. "One must be active in the politics vehicle of the democratic process. He encouraged the Christian families

represented to be an example to bringing about involvement by bringing the community into the home. "In my growing days," he said, "we never had a Christmas, a birthday, Thanksgiving or a watermelon cutting without having someone displaced from the community with us." Continuing he added, "We can take the family into the community in those tasks that involve helping people. Jesus began his ministry by identifying with the poor, the sick and the bruised people because He said, 'The spirit of the Lord is upon me.' Perhaps we shall be more involved with people when we have this kind of identification with Christ."

Three hundred thirty five people registered for the conference. In addition, a seven man team spoke in twenty-four Lebanon Baptist Association churches on Sunday by arrangement made by Dr. Joel D. Ray, Superintendent of Missions.

One highlight of the conference was the luncheon for older adults on Tuesday with more than one hundred

in attendance. Dr. Brooks Wester, pastor, presided, and Dr. John Drakeford brought the inspiration address—a character study of Demas, Mark and Luke. "Demas began well but quit; Mark began well, faltered, but finished well; Luke was faithful always."

"Genuine interest in others, characterized by total attention in listening, is the key to good family communication," declared Dr. Drakeford in speaking on "Communication, the Lifeline of the Family." "People don't communicate well because they don't listen well. We need to give our children training in the art of good listening and the heart of this training should be parental models in good listening."

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Executive Director of the Christian Action Commission commented, "The program was dynamic, the dialogue was helpful, the results will be significant more as churches minister to families and find the families responding more effectively in ministry to others."

Annuity Head Urges New Services

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Morgan's third stress fell on commitment. "Our commitment is that we believe the Annuity Board is one of those instruments in the life of the Southern Baptist Convention brought into being because men felt it was the work of the Lord," he said. "This commitment was never more alive than now. In the midst of doing our best with computers, audit reports, stock and real estate investments, principles and policies of re-

irement and insurance plans, determinations to use the best available business skills and judgment, there is resolutely the unswerving commitment that a ministry to Christian servants in Christ's name is the ultimate purpose of this massive responsibility," Morgan continued.

"Our intent has been throughout 54 years of existence to serve those who serve the Lord," according to the board's new president. "This will be our goal until the Lord's return."

About 500 people attended the installation service at First Baptist Church, just one block away from the Annuity Board's office building in downtown Dallas.

W. A. Criswell, pastor of the church and for many years a trustee of the Annuity Board, said in another address during the installation service that "compassion" also marks the ministry of the board. When founded in 1918, it first provided relief for needy aged ministers, Criswell noted.



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EDITORIAL

Southern Baptist Leadership

Once more it has been our privilege to sit through the sessions of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

At no meeting of any Southern Baptist group does one come in as close touch with almost all Southern Baptist leadership, as he does at this meeting. The reason is that the convention sessions themselves are so big, that often many of the leaders simply are lost in the crowd, or are appearing only briefly in the midst of a crowded convention program.

At the Executive Committee meetings one "rubs elbows" with these leaders as they participate in discussions of the work, or in the fellowship of the halls and general sessions.

One of the special features of the February meeting of the Executive Committee is the presentation of budget needs by leaders of each of the agencies. Here the Executive Secretaries of the Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board, the Seminaries, the Commissions, and the other agencies, all give reports on the program in which they are engaged, and of the plans they are developing. In this session, the audience feels the heart beat of almost the whole Southern Baptist world program.

The Executive Committee is comprised of men and women who have been chosen from every state convention area in the convention. They are trusted leaders who have proved themselves in their own churches and states. One third or more of them must be laymen and women. They take seriously the business of our Lord and seek earnestly to find the Lord's will in what they do for and under the instruction of Southern Baptists.

Agency leaders are men and women chosen for their executive positions because of their own experience and training which have prepared them for their special tasks. These are men and

women whose very presence reveals their dedication, their faith, and their desire to serve their God and their convention. As one knows them he can understand, to some degree at least, why God continues to bless and use Southern Baptists.

One of the lasting impressions is the realization that these men and women, both the executives and the members of the Executive Committee, recognize that in Southern Baptist life, the local church always is to be considered. We do not have a hierarchical type of church government which hands down orders from the top. It is the churches, which, through their messengers, still control the Southern Baptist Convention.

This was brought to mind one night during the recent meeting when I sat in a subcommittee meeting as, for long hours, I wrestled with assignments which had been given it. One of the problems was the "Bylaw 16" matter which had been referred to the Executive Committee by the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis. The problem raised by this bylaw was that it could be so interpreted by the chair as not to allow floor discussion on certain matters relative to boards and agencies, at the convention session in which some question concerning them was raised. In this subcommittee meeting, Dr. Porter Routh, stated that he felt that we must so word the bylaw that the convention can discuss such issues if it desires to do so, and so that that the messenger from any church can be assured that he has the right to discuss convention matters if he desires. The proposal which finally was passed to be recommended by the Executive Committee to the Philadelphia Convention, does allow such discussion on issues which may be raised, if two-thirds of the messengers vote to do so.

As I sat in these sessions and heard

this full recognition of the democratic processes so dear to Southern Baptists, I found a new assurance for the conviction I already had, that Southern Baptist work is in good hands. I may not always agree with some of the actions which are taken, or with some of the things said or done by leaders or agencies, but I am sure of one thing, and that is that the leaders sincerely are trying to carry out what Southern Baptists have asked them to do, and what they believe God has commanded.

As long as the autonomy of the local churches is recognized, and as long as the convention itself, has the final word, I have no fear but that Southern Baptists can solve their problems, and can continue to move forward for our Lord.

God's Workmen And God's Work

All too often lately we have carried stories, or read in the public press, of the deaths of outstanding Baptist men and women, persons who have laid down the tools of their labor here on earth, and have answered the call of God to higher realms. Only a few months ago we carried an editorial concerning two outstanding laymen who had made a large contribution to Mississippi Baptist denominational life. Now, in a single week comes the deaths of two more such men, of one widely known Christian woman, and news of the recent death of still another man. We are sure that there have been others, but these are persons we have known personally.

Two men who were active both in their local churches and in the denominational work of the state died on February 29. They were B. C. Rogers of Morton and Horace Headrick of Laurel. We have learned just today of the death of another man who has been very active, especially in the Coast area, on February 3. He was O. H. Longcoy of Biloxi. And last week First Baptist Church, Jackson, laid to rest one of its beloved leaders, Mrs. D. C. Simmons. She had served her Lord faithfully not only in her own church, but also was for many years active in the WMU of the state.

We are sure that the list could be much longer, for week by week men and women who have made tremendous contributions to their own churches, and often, to a much larger area, pass from the earthly scene. There are so many that we cannot mention them all.

As one is confronted with these hours of sorrow, he is made more conscious of the certainty of death, and of the necessity of living each day for the Lord, with the realization that that day brings us one day closer to the moment when we too shall face our maker. At the same time, even through our tears, we can thank God for the lives that have been lived by these dear friends who are leaving us. Despite the grief, there is no despair, for we know the victory that we have in Christ, even over death. We also rejoice that the churches live on, and will be here until our Lord returns, for when one workman dies, God raises up another to take his place.

God's workmen do pass from the scene; God's work lives on.

Guest Editorial

Time To Rethink Retirement

In Baptist Messenger (Okla.)

We were pleased that last month (in our issue of Feb. 17, page five) to print a news story telling that trustees of the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Dallas had approved a restudy of the basic retirement plan of this agency for Baptist pastors and other church and denominational workers. It is time for Southern Baptists to give serious study to this basic plan, which is all that many pastors and others can ever participate in, although the board offers two supplementary plans for those churches and individuals who can take advantage of them. The celebrated "13th check," an extra monthly check each year for retirees under the basic retirement program was a step in the right direction several years ago, but now we need to plan and provide in a really adequate way through our churches and denominational organizations for these men and women who have borne the brunt of the battle through difficult days and have reached their declining years.

Both John Hurt, editor of the Baptist Standard of Texas, and C. Eugene Whitlow, editor of the Baptist New Mexican, have pointed out in recent editorials that Plan A of the SBC An-

nuity Board does not compare favorably at all with what other major denominations in this country are doing for their retired pastors and workers. For instance, as Whitlow stated, the Presbyterians Church, U. S. recently adopted a guaranteed annual income for retired ministers and clergy widows by which a single person (clergy or widow) will receive \$3,300 a year and couples will receive \$4,800 a year. Those who have paid into the SBC Annuity Board Plan A for a lifetime and whose payments have been matched by both their churches and the denomination (5 per cent from each with a ceiling of \$4,000 per year for a total of 15 per cent) as the plan works at present will receive considerably less. A widow under the present plan receives only 40 per cent of what the couple would receive — which is inexcusable.

We think the trustees of the Annuity Board will come up with a worthy plan geared to the times and which will meet the needs of these soldiers of the cross. Southern Baptists everywhere will be waiting and watching, and they will expect the SBC Executive Committee to budget additional funds for this purpose if necessary. We can and must do the right thing for those who have done so much for the cause of Christ in the years gone by!

NEWEST BOOKS

New Book Reveals How Churches Can Reach More People

YOU CAN REACH PEOPLE NOW by James E. Coggin and Bernard M. Spooner (Broadman, 160 pp. \$3.95) One of the most exciting stories of church advance in the whole Southern Baptist Convention right now is what has happened and is continuing to happen at Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas. Here is a great old downtown church, located in a changing area, which determined that it would not allow its program and influence to decline. The pastor and leaders sought the leadership of the Holy Spirit in setting up new programs, and as a result have seen a new surge of life and power sweep through the church. Revival came which continues week by week and has brought the church to what is perhaps the greatest usefulness of its history. In this book the pastor and minister of education of the church unite in telling what was done and what has happened. The chapters tell of determining priorities, scheduling, visitation, setting goals, a bus ministry, the VBS, revivals and training. This is not a book of theory but of actual practice which has brought amazing results. Plans, copies of materials used, and other helpful suggestions are found throughout the book. Can it happen in other churches? It might. Here is a manual which tells how it came to Travis Avenue, where attendance has grown, baptisms have multiplied, offerings have increased, and spiritual blessings have been showered upon the people.

NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE (Creation House, cloth, \$10.95) The version of the Bible most widely used in this century by theologians and in seminaries probably has been the American Standard version issued in 1901. This in itself was a revision of the 1881-1885 version produced by international scholars. Several years ago the Rockman Foundation became convinced that this outstanding translation needed to be brought up-to-date and be introduced more widely to Bible students of this generation so it took the initiative in laying the ground work and finally choosing an editorial board. The New Testament section of this revision appeared several years ago and now the entire Bible has been published. The version stays as close to the original language as it appears possible to do, yet seeks to express the meaning in contemporary English. Sometimes the literary meaning is given in the text with a marginal notation made when that was needed to clarify terms used by the original author. Care is given to follow the tenses in the Hebrew and Greek text for these make a great deal of difference in the meaning of sentences and words in a wide single column to the page, with an added column of notes and references on the outside margin of each page. At the top of each page is found in bold type the main subjects which will be found in the text on the Bible page. There are no introductory materials preceding each book since this is basically a text Bible with marginal references. Of the mak-

ing of new translations there seems to be no end, yet some are so important that we rejoice when they come. This is one of the latter, for while it probably will never have the popularity of some of the new translations, it certainly is a valuable translation.

CRUDEN'S UNABRIDGED CONCORDANCE by Alexander Cruden (Broadman, 719 pp., \$6.95) A reprint of the large unabridged edition of the Concordance exactly as it came from the desk of the author, Alexander Cruden, includes a concordance of every important word in the scriptures, a concordance to the proper names of the Old and New Testaments; a list of the names given to Jesus Christ and of the Appellations given to the church of God in the scriptures and closes with an outline of the entire Bible. While this Concordance is not as complete as Strong's or Young's, it probably is as complete as the average Bible student needs. It will enable the student to find almost any passage in the Bible if he has one word, and it will enable him to study almost any subject since it correlates the scriptures for him.

CREATIVE PARENTHOOD By Frank Chevans (Word, 183 pp., \$4.95) Practical suggestions on how to give your children every advantage to become mature, creative individuals. The author says that parents can give their children advantages and he shows them how to do it.

"HUNDREDS OF OUR LAWMAKERS, JUDGES, EXECUTIVES AND OTHER NATIONAL LEADERS GATHER AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK IN SMALL KNEELING PRAYER GROUPS TO CALL UPON GOD FOR GUIDANCE, WISDOM AND STRENGTH."
— WILLIAM ARTHUR WARD



Unusual Happenings in Washington

THE BAPTIST FORUM

Identifies Woman Mentioned In Recent Editorial

Dear Editor:

I want to identify the "young woman" from Miles City that you referred to in your editorial, February 10. She is Dorothy Glasscock, member of the Miles City Baptist Church.

Let me share more details with you. Mrs. Glasscock did drive back to Miles City on Tuesday night of the Bible conference in order that she might bring four of our youth to the Wednesday-Evangelistic Conference in Billings. At the close of the youth service on Wednesday night, she returned to Miles City with the youth and after three hours sleeps started again for Billings and the final day of the evangelistic conference. She returned to Miles City after the close of the Thursday evening service. Mrs. Glasscock made the three-hundred mile trip for three days, covering nearly 1,000 miles. She did all the driving and bore all the expenses involved. She says that it was worth it and would do it again.

Wayland B. Holbrook, Pastor
Miles City Baptist Church
P.O. Box 687, Miles City, Montana

Some Clarifications Concerning "The Solid Rock Festival"

Dear Dr. Odle:

Thank you for printing the article on plans for the second annual "Solid Rock Festival" March 31 - April 1 on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. We are getting good response from many areas, and we appreciate help.

Two clarifications ought to be made in correction of the heading that was applied to the news story, however. Although choirs are welcome, we do desire to major on the use of smaller groups and individuals. Furthermore, we prefer not to call this a "rock" festival, for it is nothing like that in the usual sense. Rather, we call it "The Solid Rock Festival," referring to Jesus Christ. This is a Christian music witness festival on the beach, designed to share Christ with the thousands who come to our beaches at Easter. Performers will be singing and giving testimonies, and personal witnessing will be in progress throughout the event among the crowd. Its major focus will be toward young people, and most of the participants will be young people who will come to the coast at their own expense.

Wesley G. Ellis
Hansboro Baptist Church
Gulfport, Ms. 39501.

HMB Executive Thanks Mississippians

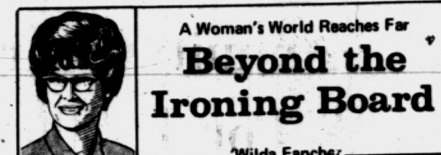
Dear Editor:

On behalf of our directors and staff, I want to thank you and the good people of your state for three important contributions made to home missions in 1971.

First, their contributions through the Cooperative Program to the missionary thrust of the Home Mission Board amounted to \$337,610.65. You can take justifiable pride that this generous amount provides the base of our operations throughout all fifty states, including Mississippi.

Second, their gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering in 1971 totaled \$270,848.81. Such unselfishness on the part of your people deserves particular appreciation. I wish it were possible to thank personally every contributor in your state. We are encouraged to find uniform support of our program of missions throughout the country. As you know so well, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provides for about one-half of our total budget.

Third, your personal support of our concept of missions means so much to me. Like



A Woman's World Reaches Far
Beyond the
Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

I read somewhere recently that perhaps the postage stamp has a message for us, not by what it says, but by how it acts: it arrives at its destination by sticking to one thing until it gets there.

I grew up seeing Mother excel in her work — no matter what it was, she did it well. Her sewing, particularly, was a work of art. Even if a seam had to be ripped out ten times, she stuck with it, and the result was always great.

It would be interesting if I had kept count of the times she told us, "If a thing is worth doing, it's worth doing right." Maybe if postage stamps could think and talk, they'd agree with her. I didn't agree too heartily during the years when she was teaching me to apply that saying to things like washing dishes, sweeping floors and ironing pillow cases. It made more sense to me to say, "If a thing is worth doing, get it over with quick — and easy."

Occasionally, I still succumb to the temptation to get things done the quickest, easiest, albeit poorest way. But the days I have least indigestion and the nights I sleep best follow my having done something well.

The important things we have to do involve self-discipline — even the things we really enjoy doing. They require energy, time, and planning, all of which involve self-discipline to get with the work at hand and to stay with it until it's done. Well done, at that.

Here I have sat and written myself right into the self-discipline of getting up and going out to iron that pile of perma-unpressed jeans I told these boys of ours they'd have to iron if they bought.

I hope the boys haven't outgrown them. History's repetition of itself is a bit embarrassing, isn't it? — Address: Box 9151, Jackson, Ms. 39206.

wise, I deeply appreciate your ministry there in Mississippi.

As together we face 1972 and its challenges, let me take this means of expressing appreciation for your encouragement and support during the past year. We are grateful for the generous space you have made available for reporting the work of this agency.

Cordially and appreciatively yours,
Arthur B. Rutledge
Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

It is possible to do an acceptable job, meeting the stated qualifications of a position, without ever liking or loving anyone but yourself. — Martha Nelson in *The Christian Woman in the Working World*, a Broadman book

NOW I SEE by William L. Banks (Christian Literature Crusade, 111 pp., \$1, paperback) A devotional commentary on John 9, and the story of the beggar born blind.

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A Look At Baptist Backgrounds - Before 1845

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ment, that only believers should be baptized.

In the fall of 1523, these men debated their differences with Zwingli before the city government which had final authority. Through 1524 the disputations continued, with Zwingli winning. On January 18, 1525 the government decreed that all children must be baptized within 8 days after their birth. The penalty for failure would be banishment.

On about January 21, 1525 Grebel, Manz and George Blaurock gathered in a home with others of like convictions for worship. Blaurock asked Grebel to baptize him (by affusion), which he did. Then Blaurock baptized the others. "That is the hour of the birth of the Anabaptist movement," according to Fritz Blane, Brothers in Christ. 2 W. R. Estep: The Anabaptist Story 3, gives evidence that Grebel also later baptized by immersion in the Rhine and in the Sitter Rivers.

These brethren went from house to house witnessing. In October Blaurock, a zealot for a cause, took over the pulpit in the church at Zollikon, a suburb of Zurich. This hastened persecution of the infant church.

The name "Anabaptist" (ana - again or re-) came from their insistence on believer's baptism. Since the law required that all infants be baptized, this was re-baptism.

The short life of the movement in Zurich was marked by constant harassment by the government. The trio of leaders were imprisoned time and again. Grebel cheated the executioner by dying of the plague in the summer of 1526. On January 5, 1527, Felix Manz was taken to the Limmat River, which flows through Zurich, and, at a place called Shippe, his hands were bound and drawn over his knees, a rod was thrust under his knees, and he was thrown into the water. On the way to his execution, his mother admonished him to remain true to his beliefs. Blaurock (blue coat) was beaten with rods and banished on that same day. Later he was burned at the stake in Tyrol, on September 5, 1529.

Constant persecution, including executions, largely killed the Anabaptist church in Zurich. But the movement spread rapidly over much of central Europe, especially Austria, Germany and the Netherlands. In spite of the fact that death was the penalty for re-baptism, growth of the movement was phenomenal.

Michael Sattler, a former monk, expelled from Zurich in November 1525, whence he fled from Austria, settled in Germany. In Rottenburg he was tried with other Anabaptists and condemned to be burned at the stake. Before the execution, part of his tongue was clipped out and pieces of his body were torn out with red-hot tongs; on the way to the spot of his turning, as the ropes burned away, Sattler held up two fingers to indicate to his followers that martyrdom was bearable.

"Martyrdom became an Anabaptist to be increased to 1000 (ib. p. 46). Mass executions were common. However, the execution of three hundred and fifty... at Altzei upon the emperor's command in 1529 was out of the ordinary." In Swabia the 400 police hired to track down and execute Anabaptists on the spot, had to be increased to 1000. 5 (ib. p. 46). Multiplied thousands all over Europe lost their lives simply because they said that people should become Christians before they were baptized.

Dr. Balthasar Hubmaier, a priest in the Roman Catholic Church and a brilliant preacher, came, through his study of the Scriptures, to believe as did Anabaptists. He was baptized in April 1525 by Wilhelm Reublin, who had been driven out of Zurich. Soon, pursued by the soldiers of Archduke Ferdinand, Hubmaier sought refuge in Zurich. There he was forced to debate with Zwingli, who had the judges on his side. Hubmaier was tortured into recanting some of his doctrines. Later he recanted his recanting, and promised never to return to Zurich. His great ministry was at Nidwalden in Moravia. In 1528 he was arrested and brought to Vienna. Torture this time failed to shake his convictions. The executioner rubbed sulphur and gunpowder into his long beard as he was bound to the faggots. He said, "Salt me well, salt me well." He was suffocated by the smoke after he had cried out, "O Jesus, Jesus" (Bax, Rise and Fall of the Anabaptists).

That the Anabaptist movement was not without its black pages, in demonstrated by the story of Munster. A large part of Bax's book is devoted to the rise and fall of the new Jerusalem which was set up in Munster. Bernhard Rothman, a priest in a local church in that neighborhood, gradually became an Anabaptist and in February of 1533, he was successful in seeing Munster constituted as an evangelical town. The more zealous and fanatical elements gradually took over and Munster became "the New Jerusalem". Communism of property was forcibly inaugurated and even plural marriages were decreed. All women were required to be married. The second coming of Christ was announced and they claimed that the

millennium had begun. Many of those who opposed the kingdom were executed by these fanatical Anabaptists. Within a couple of years "the New Israel" had fallen under the constant pressure of opponents, hastened by famine and failure of their enforced communism.

In the main, however, the Anabaptist movement was characterized by a regenerated membership, an evangelistic zeal, with house to house witnessing, strong ties of Christian fellowship and a willingness to suffer, even to the death for their convictions.

Estep (p. 128) shows that the Ana-

baptists were reformers of Reformation. Grebel and Manz were followers of Zwingli in his Zurich Reformation. Hubmaier, Marpeck, Sattler and, to some extent, Menno Simons owed their conversions to the Lutheran Reformation. These came to be Anabaptists. The Anabaptists went on to the Scriptural conclusions, as we believe, while Luther and Zwingli stopped short of rejecting infant baptism and support by the state.

Menno Simons, one of the most influential of Anabaptists, and founder of the Mennonites, must be dealt with in the next article because of his influence on Baptist beginnings.

Most of these Anabaptists held to the Scriptures as the sole authority in faith and practice; believers' baptism as the only true baptism, (therefore the rejection of infant baptism); salvation by grace through faith; Baptism and the Lord's Supper as only ordinances; the independence of the local church, with congregational government; refusal to use violence and non-resistance; personal witnessing; religious freedom, granting to every person the right to believe or not to believe; the separation of church and state; and the second coming of our Lord.

Estep (The Anabaptist Story, pp 180-194) lists the marks of the visible church as held by the Anabaptists:

1. Regeneration.
2. Baptism.
3. Discipline-including use of the ban.
4. Love-no violence, sharing, missions
5. Separation of church and state, and
6. Hope for the future.

They gave the world a new concept of the dignity and of the independence of the church and the right of the individual to soul liberty. They paid for their convictions with all sorts of hardship up to the laying down of their lives.

In the next article, it will be shown how the Baptists came into being largely because of Anabaptist influence. We owe much to these stalwart Christians who determinantly stood by their convictions and brought a new concept of the dignity of the church and of the freedom of the individual soul.

In our affluent days of gadgets, gimmicks and government aid, it would be well for Baptists to remember that these Anabaptists voluntarily renounced the support of the government, and preached the gospel largely as we believe it. Our religious freedom was obtained at a great cost. It can be lost. We Baptists should think of the long and carefully before we do anything to jeopardize our heritage.

Missionaries' Child Ill; Friends Pray For Miracle

The 10-year-old daughter of a missionary couple is reported to be critically ill in Indonesia where her parents are engaged in publication and promotion work.

An extended illness of Ann Ingouf, pictured, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ingouf, has been diagnosed as a malignancy of the lymph system.

Ingouf is a native of Shreveport, La.; Mrs. Ingouf is the former Glenn Green of Decatur, Ala. They were living in Hartsville, Ala., when appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1960.

The couple said they will remain in Indonesia and obtain treatment for their daughter there. Although stationed in Bandung, they are residing in Kediri for the time being.

"Adequate treatment and attention seems to be available at the Baptist hospital in Kediri," said Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, medical consultant for the Foreign Mission Board.

Dr. Oliver E. Gilliland Jr., one of the attending physicians, said, "We are praying for a miracle."

The board's secretary for Southeast Asia, R. Keith Parks, requests that Southern Baptists pray for Ann and the Ingouf family.

There are three other children in the family, Susan, 13, John David, almost 9, and Julie, 5.

Mrs. Ingouf has a missionary sister in Taiwan, Mrs. Glenn L. Hix.

Summit Announces RA Basketball Tournament

The second annual Summit First Baptist Royal Ambassador Basketball Tournament will be played Friday and Saturday, March 17 and 18.

The Crusader Division Tournament (ages 8-11) will be played in the Summit Elementary School gym, while the Pioneer Division Tournament (ages 12-17) is slated for S.M. J.C.'s old gym.

Entry forms were sent out to a number of Baptist Churches this week. If there are other Baptist Churches in the McComb - Summit area who would like to enter teams in the tournament, they should contact Rev. Larry W. Fields at 276-7501 or 276-7308 as soon as possible.

Which Twin Gave The Sermon Sunday?

WESTLAND, Mich. (RNS)—When it comes to preachers, members of the Norwayne Baptist Church's congregation in this Detroit suburb seem to agree with the author of Ecclesiastes (4:9) that "two are better than one." Stephen and Robert Case, 20-year-old twin brothers, serve the American Baptist Convention church as co-pastors.

When they first began serving at the church in January, parishioners had trouble telling who was who, since both wear similar horn-rimmed glasses and a patch of hair combed down to the top of the spectacles.

Now, however, members of the congregation have learned to tell them apart. Such visual aids as Stephens' parting his hair on the left and Robert on the right, and Stephens' taping his tie over without a knot whereas Robert ties his traditionally, have helped.



Prayer Knows No Race Or Language

Southern Baptists praying for home missions March 5-12 speak in many languages in behalf of fellow citizens separated by language and cultural barriers. A Cherokee baby in Tahlequah, Oklahoma holds her family's missionary prayer calendar. Home missionaries who are friends of this baby, as well as those who work with Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, French, Slavic, Portuguese, Italians—up to 30 ethnic groups—will receive support amounting to \$1,645,000 of the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. (Home Board Photo)

SBC Annuity Board Receives Check For 10,000 Thanks

Former State (Continued From Page 1)

"He will work with others in the Sunday School department in coordinating the promotion of bus outreach in such areas as curriculum materials and records designed specifically to support bus outreach," Washburn said.

A native of Louisiana, White is a graduate of Louisiana College, Pineville, and holds the master of theology and doctor of theology degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Before joining the board's staff in 1964, he was pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Miss. Earlier he was pastor of First Baptist Church, Natchez, Miss., and served as president of the board of trustees of Jefferson Davis Memorial Hospital, Natchez. He served also as a member of the state executive board and of the executive committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson.

DALLAS (BP)—When Lewis W. Martin of Decatur, Ga., received an unexpected bonus retirement income check for 1971 shortly before Christmas, he was inspired to say thank you in the same language.

He wrote a check payable to the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, Dallas - based agency which handles SBC retirement plans and payments.

The draft, printed to look like an ordinary bank check, was drawn on the "Bank of Gratitude," amount payable, "10,000 Thanks."

Martin, a retired department secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, was one of several hundred annuitants writing to thank the Annuity Board for the so-called "13th check," an extra dividend paid after the 12 regular monthly retirement checks had been sent out.

Annuity Board officials said good investment returns for the year made the extra payment possible. It was equal to two months' normal annuity payments. The Annuity Board sent "13th checks" to nearly 6,400 retired pastors, church workers, and denominational employees, or their widows.

State Young Musicians' Choral Festival April 1

Mississippi's State Young Musicians' Choral Festival will be held April 1 at the Coliseum in Jackson.

Guest conductor for the event will be Mrs. Mabel Boyter, pictured, children's music consultant from Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. Boyter, a specialist in music education and children's choirs, is director of "The Children's School of Music." She also is author, lecturer, and director of festivals and seminars.

Ages included in the festival will be 4th, 5th, and 6th graders (optional will be 12-year-olds, or 7th graders who may be in the same choir in some churches.) Participants should be thoroughly familiar with all assigned music, as listed below. Memorization is encouraged but not required.

Music: "You Have Given Me Eyes" (Junior Musician, July, 1969) — Marshall, Broadman (JFO79); "I'm Gonna Walk With Jesus" (Young Musicians, July, 1971) — Roberts, Broadman (4558-12); "O Daniel" — Caldwell (CS 2453) Word Pub., from the collection, "A Singing Faith"; "Holy Lord of Hosts" — Young, Broadman (4558-12); "They All Lived Long Ago" — Sleeth, Broadman (4558-24); Hymn: "All Creatures Of Our God and King" — hymnal.

Directors should register their groups, notifying the Church Music Department of the number to attend. Send in pre-registration (see form below) by March 20, to P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Ms. 39205.

The following will be recognized in a special way at the festival:

The rural (open country) church

with the largest attendance will be presented an autograph. (Attendance will include all ages whether singers or non-singers.)

The church with the largest total singers present will be presented an engraved trophy.

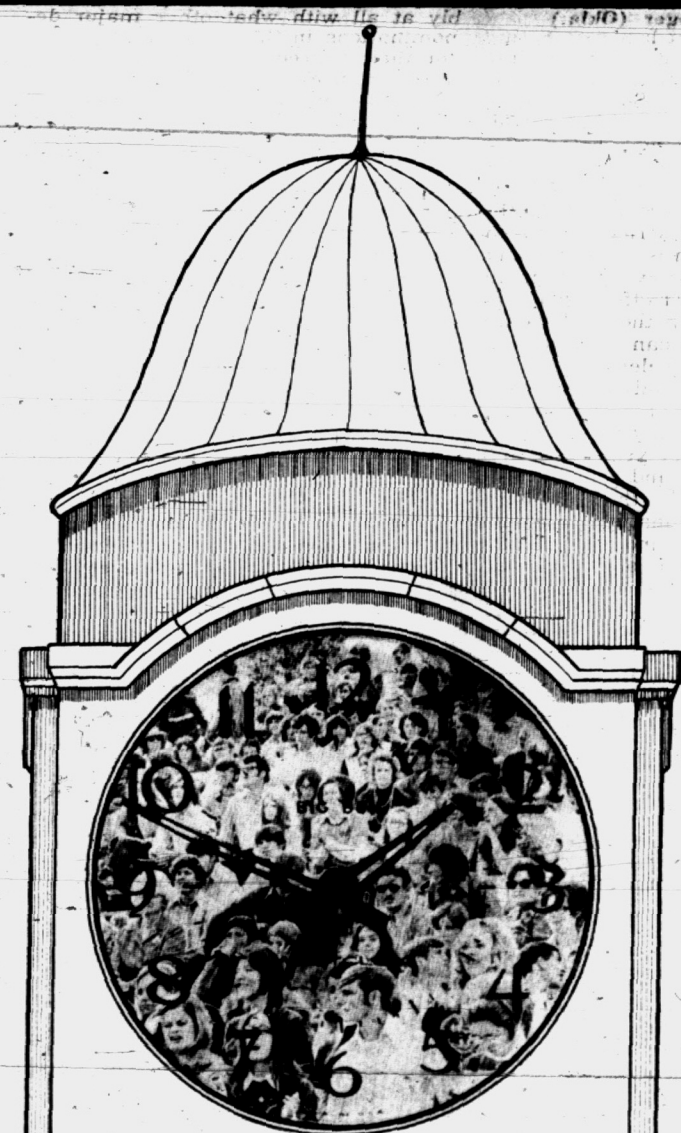
The association in each of the five districts with the largest percent of churches attending will be presented an engraved trophy.

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12:30-1:15 Rehearsal
1:15-1:30 Feature
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Names In The News

Mrs. Bryant Cummings of Jackson was one of the participants in a writers' conference on children's materials sponsored by the Sunday School department of the Sunday School Board Feb. 14-18. Mrs. Cummings participated in the conference on writing for "Bible Learners" with editor Bob Parrish.

Robert M. Walsh, production manager at KABC Radio, Los Angeles, Cal., has received the top honor in the third annual Abe Lincoln Awards competition. The awards, sponsored by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, recognize broadcasters for "outstanding contributions to the quality of life in America, both as individual citizens and as representatives of the broadcasting industry." Walsh's award specifically cited his work in producing 24-hour documentaries, providing in-depth information on current issues of concern to the local audience.

Dr. Gertrude Lippert, professor emerita of German at Mississippi College, is planning a fully escorted world tour for the Fall of 1972.

Dr. Lippert said the tour would begin in October and that the group would visit such places as Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Thailand, India, Egypt, Cyprus, Israel, Turkey, and Greece.

The tour will take 35 days. Those interested in making the tour should contact Dr. Lippert at P. O. Box 166, Clinton, Miss., 39056.

Miss Beatrice Collins, associate professor of organ and piano at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will be presented in an organ recital on Friday night, March 10, 1972, at 8:15 p.m. in the Roland Q. Leavelle Chapel on the seminary campus, 3939 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana.

Miss Edith O. West, 81, emerita of New Orleans Baptist Seminary to Brazil, died Feb. 19 at a Baptist home for the elderly in Pittsburgh, Pa. A funeral service was to be held Feb. 22 in Lanesville, Pa., where she had lived from entering the home four years ago.

Jon W. Blouin, Jr. has been called as minister of music of Calvary Church, Jackson. He is a graduate of Flomaton High School, Flomaton, Alabama, and has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Samford University and Master of Church Music degree from New Orleans Seminary, the emphasis of his study has been in conducting. While a student at New Orleans Seminary, he served two years as student conductor of the Seminars under Dr. William Hooper, Dean of the School of Church Music, and as one year student conductor of the Choral Club under Dr. Genter Stephens. Mr. Blouin has been in church music ten years and has served churches in Alabama and Louisiana. He came to the Calvary from Metairie Church, New Orleans. He is married to the former Sue Mann of Birmingham, and they have three daughters. The Blouins make their home at 1237 Dardanelle Dr. in Jackson. The Calvary Church has a weekly program of sacred music education and choirs for ages four through adults. Dr. Joe H. Tuten is pastor.



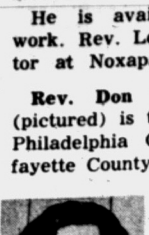
Rev. and Mrs. Donald H. Redmon, missionaries to Costa Rica, have moved from Turrialba to San Jose (address: Apartado 1883, San Jose, Costa Rica). He is a native of Panama City, Fla.; she is the former Jo Eubanks of Pontotoc County, Miss. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1963, he was pastor of Hardy (Miss.) Baptist Church.

Dr. Charles S. Skutt, pastor of the Fort Smith, Ark., Spradling Baptist Church, was the recipient of the Chaplain-on-Call merit award, presented by the Holiday Inns, Inc., chaplain's office, March 4, 12 o'clock noon at the Holiday Inn-Downtown in Fort Smith.

Holiday Inns, Inc., Chaplain Charles Woodall of Memphis, Tenn., presented the award to Dr. Skutt, in recognition of the minister's activities while serving as a volunteer Chaplain-on-Call to guests at downtown Ft. Smith, Ark.

Mrs. Ronnie Roberson is the new church secretary at East-haven Church, Brookhaven. She succeeds Mrs. Kenneth Sartin who served as secretary for 2 1/2 years. Rev. Charles Damper is the pastor.

Jackie Barker was licensed to preach the gospel at Noxapater Baptist Church on February 13. Jackie is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Leo Barker of Noxapater and is currently enrolled at East Mississippi Junior College at Decatur as a freshman.



He is available for supply work. Rev. Leo Barker is pastor at Noxapater.

Rev. Don Paul Richardson (pictured) is the new pastor of Philadelphia Church in Lafayette County.



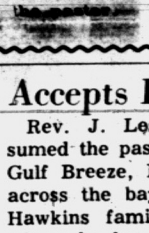
Since coming to the church Jan. 1, five members have been added by letter. Following a revival (Preaching by the new pastor), he baptized twenty six with six others awaiting baptism.

One young man from Marks came by letter and plans to enter the ministry. Mr. Richardson attended Northeast Junior College at Booneville for two years, William Carey College for a year and a half, then received his degree from Memphis Baptist College in 1968. He plans to continue studying.

He and his wife Clara have two children Paul John and Andrea.

Rev. Harold McLendon has resigned the pastorate of Bethel Church, Copiah County, effective March 26. He has attended Mississippi College, and Whitworth College in Brookhaven. He is married and the father of two sons and two daughters. Mr. McLendon is available for a pastorate in any county. He has served churches in Copiah, Simpson, and Lincoln Counties. He accepted the call to the ministry in May, 1959. He can be reached by telephone at 894-4393 or by his present address Route 1, Box 166, Hazlehurst, Miss. 39083.

Mrs. Ronnie Roberson is the new church secretary at East-haven Church, Brookhaven. She succeeds Mrs. Kenneth Sartin who served as secretary for 2 1/2 years. Rev. Charles Damper is the pastor.



Rev. J. Lester Hawkins has assumed the pastorate of First Church, Gulf Breeze, Fla., a town of 4200 across the bay from Pensacola. The Hawkins family moved from Biloxi where he has been pastor of Trinity Church since December, 1968.

Mr. Hawkins is a graduate of Bob Jones University and New Orleans Seminary and has served as pastor of Calvary, Pricedale (Summit), Pleasant Home, Laurel, and Trinity, Biloxi. He graduated from seminary two weeks before Camille ravished the coast and was instrumental in setting up assistance for storm victims.

Mr. Hawkins has been active in evangelism, conducting revivals in area churches. He also has served in an areawide crusade in Bay Minette, Ala. and was co-chairman of the James Robison Crusade on the coast. Mrs. Hawkins has assisted in church revivals with special music.

He served as Church Training Director of the Association.

The Hawkins have two children, Michael, 5 and Lisa 2. Mr. Hawkins' parents are Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hawkins of Liberty and Mrs. Hawkins' parents are the S. R. Pridgens, pastor and wife, Foxworth, First Church.

The new Florida address is 204 Norwich, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561.



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Ministry Of Renewal Pleasant Home

Pleasant Home Church, Route 7, Greel, will have a Baptist Layman's Ministry of Renewal Friday-Sunday, March 10-12. A team of more than twenty outstanding laymen, women, and youth from 14 local churches will do this laymen's program. The program will begin with a potluck supper Friday at 6:30 p.m. followed by services led by the team. Sunday's activities include "coffee" at the homes at 10 a.m., a bike ride for children and younger youth 1:30 p.m., and services at the church led by the team at 7 p.m. Sunday activities include a Men's Breakfast at 7:15 a.m. and the laymen taking charge of both the Sunday School and worship hours. The Sunday night service will consist of evaluation and sharing service. Rev. A. H. Weger is the pastor, Wendell Graham of Sharon Church is ministry co-ordinator, and Tracy Moss is church co-ordinator. The public is invited.

Revival Dates

Dublin (Jeff Davis): youth revival; March 10-12; Rev. James Messer, evangelist, pastor of Cloverdale Church; services on Friday and Saturday night at 7 p.m. and on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; youth fellowship to follow Friday and Saturday services; Mrs. Hollis Jones, in charge of singing; Rev. L. C. Anthony, pastor.

Pearl Church: March 13-19; Rev. James Fancher (pictured), evangelist; Dean Hunter, minister of music at Pearl, Song Leader; night services Monday - Saturday at 7:30; day services Tuesday - Friday at 10; regular services on Sunday; Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor.

Friendship (Oktober): March 12-17; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Ray Glover, pastor, Double Springs, evangelist; Rachel Jenkins, director of Chester Junior Choir, directing music (the Junior Choir will be present on Friday night, youth night); Rev. Ray G. Ware, pastor. (The church is on Craig Springs Road near Sturgis.)

REVIVAL RESULTS

Highland Church, Jackson: February 20-25; 17 professions of faith; 45 dedications; Rev. James Fancher, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Sam Greel, pastor.



Cason Men Get Together For Fellowship Dinner

Good Christian fellowship was enjoyed at Cason Church, Monroe Association, Saturday night, January 8. The occasion was to get to know the new interim pastor, Rev. Wade McCarley, of First Church, Tupelo. After the dinner, everyone participated in singing praises to God and then with open hearts listened to the Word of God. There were twenty-one men present, the largest number in many years to attend Brotherhood at Cason. "Since this Brotherhood kickoff the church has steadily increased in attendance both in Sunday School and church service," reports Albert Riley, Publicity Chairman.

BYW Gives Party For Boys At Deaf School

The Baptist Young Women of First Church, Jackson, as a mission project for February, gave a Valentine party for 34 little boys at Mississippi School for the Deaf in Jackson. Nine Baptist Young Women attended, plus two houseparents, Boyd Arrington and Bobby Wilbanks. Hugh Prickett, principal of the school, assisted in interpretation and communication.

Danny Grubbs is mission action chairman of the BYW and Ophelia Milling is president.

Other mission actions projects the young women have done include making basshats for University Hospital and tray cards for Baptist Hospital; visiting rest homes and presenting programs; adopting children from Baptist Children's village for an afternoon at the Zoo; and visiting Community Hospital and providing supplies for patients there.

Mrs. Robert Smira is WMU director at First Church; Dr. Larry G. Rohman is pastor.

Goodyear To Sponsor Bus Clinic In April

Goodyear Church, Picayune, will sponsor an area-wide bus conference April 9-11. The conference will begin on Sunday night, April 9, and conclude on Tuesday night, April 11. Day sessions will be held Monday and Tuesday also.

This conference will include sessions on subjects such as: Promotion, Motivation, Obtaining Workers, Problems, and Visitation and Enlistment of Riders.

Two speakers will be: Jim Vineyard, director of America's fastest growing bus ministry at Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va.; and Derry Norman, director of the bus ministry at Landmark Baptist Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio, with over ninety bus routes and averaging 2,700 riders per week.

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Temple, Hattiesburg, Oversubscribes Her Largest Budget

Temple Church, Hattiesburg announces the most successful stewardship program in her history. The 1972 budget is the largest the church has ever adopted - \$164,850.00 - and offering pledges reached \$168,656.80.

Rev. Kermit D. McGregor, pastor, attributes the success of the program to the detailed organization and the emphasis on a "one-day" pledging. Very little follow-up work was necessary because of the work done by all committees during a four-week period prior to commitment day.

Jimmy Pittman, chairman, directed the work through ten committees: Spiritual Emphasis, Publicity, Advance Pledge, Sunday School, Dinner Arrangements, Children's Party, Office Help, Telephone, Tally and Follow-up.

The highlight of the campaign was a churchwide fellowship dinner at William Carey College, with Dr. Larry G. Rohman, pastor of First Church, Jackson, guest speaker.

Mr. McGregor has been at Temple since February 23, 1971, having moved there from First Church, Winona.

The Spirit Empowers The Church For Its Mission In The Earth

By Clifton J. Allen
Acts 1:1 to 2:42

We cannot understand the church apart from Pentecost. It was then that the church was empowered for its mission in the earth. In his final appearance to the disciples, Jesus charged them to be his witnesses to the uttermost part of the earth and promised that they would receive power for their tasks through the coming of his

Spirit. Following his ascension, they applied their strength to prayer earnestly claiming the promise of the risen Lord. The visitation of the Spirit on Pentecost transformed the band of believers into bold and effective witnesses, with the result that some three thousand persons confessed their faith in Christ and became members of the new community, the church.

The Lesson Explained
A Promise Fulfilled
Verses 1-4

Pentecost was one of the three major feasts of the Jews so that throngs

were in Jerusalem, pilgrims from all over the world, especially the lands around the Mediterranean. The believers were together giving themselves to prayer, waiting with expectancy. Then something happened. There was a sound as of a rushing, mighty wind. There was a sight, tongues of fire distributing themselves so that one was on each of the believers. There was speech, the believers beginning to speak in languages other than their own; and this was because they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. The outward manifestations were fitting symbols of the Spirit's presence. He is the breath of God, not something to be seen, but a force to be experienced. The tongues of fire symbolize the power given to each Christian to become a witness for the Lord. The speaking in other tongues symbolizes the will of the Spirit that

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the truth about Christ be made known to all people of all languages and nations. In reality Christ came in his Spirit to abide with his people forever.

A Prophecy Interpreted
Verses 14-21

People were present for the feast from many countries, some fifteen groups being mentioned in verses 9-11. They were amazed and perplexed, and accused the believers of drunkenness. Peter pointed out that the charge of drunkenness was not true. The explanation, rather, was the fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel. God had promised, "I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh." In Old Testament times the Spirit was given to prophets and patriarchs and chosen individuals to equip them for unique responsibilities in the purposes of God. But now the new covenant in Christ had become a reality. In the community of faith, that is, the church, the Spirit was to be given to each believer. "All flesh" does not mean humanity. It means that there would be no distinction. All members of the believing community would be indwelt by the Spirit of Christ. Peter quoted the words from the prophet Joel which pointed to disturbances in the realm of the natural world and the universe.

These signified that the last days had begun; they pointed forward to the ultimate consummation of God's purpose in Christ. And this suggested the very heart of what Peter wanted to say: "It shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." The opportunity for salvation was at hand.

The Gospel Proclaimed

A transformation had taken place in Peter himself. He was no longer afraid and uncertain. We may assume that the same was true of the other apostles. Filled by the Spirit, Peter began to understand, as he never had before, the full meaning of Christ's life and death and resurrection. Boldly he declared that God had attested to Jesus of Nazareth by the mighty works and wonders which he had done. Peter interpreted the death of Christ as the fulfillment of God's foreordained purpose, and he boldly charged his hearers with the responsibility for effecting Christ's death on the cross. But then he declared that God had raised Christ from the dead and had exalted Christ to his own right hand. Three thousand persons were converted, after which the new converts continued to learn from the apostles' instruction and to participate in the fellowship and worship of the church.

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

Jesus Lives Under The Shadow Of The Cross

Luke 22:19-20; 24:27; 39-46

By Bill Duncan

A 92-year-old man in Stanstead Abbots, England, is the proud possessor of a solid oak coffin, which he purchased 33 years ago, for about \$100.

Every day since then he has visited the shed in which he keeps the coffin to give it a polishing. If he feels drowsy after shining it, he crawls into it and takes a nap.

After doing this for 33 years, he is satisfied that his long rest will be comfortable for his body. He said, "I even had my photograph taken in it! Wanted to see how I'd look when the undertaker lays me out. I came into the world a bit rough, as one of nine children. Now I'm making sure I go out respectable — with an oak coffin that has solid brass handles and everything!"

What a contrast to the shadow of the cross that Jesus lived under. This 92-year-old man wanted to make sure he went out respectable. To which he put the price of \$100.00. For Jesus to die for all men to have salvation it would cost him the bearing of our sins in His own body on the cross.

We all live in the shadow of our deaths, but somewhere in between the extremes we find ourselves. Jesus' situation was one of unselfishness. He came to the earth to die for the sins of all men. His life was always pointed toward Calvary.

Someone painted a beautiful picture of Jesus as a boy working in Joseph's carpenter shop. He seems to have stopped for a rest and is moving toward the doorway to stretch his arms. The light upon his back with arms outstretched cast a shadow of a cross upon the ground outside.

When Jesus was baptized the voice of God told Him that He had taken the right road for life. God said, "You are my beloved Son, in you I am well pleased." That saying is composed of two Old Testament texts. "You are my beloved Son" is from Psalms 2:7 which is a description of the Messianic King. "In you I am well pleased" is part of Isaiah 42:1, a description of the servant of the Lord which culminates in the suffering of Isaiah 53. God's anointed King did not involve power and glory, but suffering and a cross. The cross did not come on Jesus unaware. Even from his baptism

he was living under the shadow and destiny of the cross.

How would you like to be remembered after you die? Jesus left his disciples the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, memorializing his death by dramatic symbolism. Jesus knew how easily the human mind forgets. He told the disciples to observe the supper, so that they will remember.

The importance of the Supper to Jesus is reflected in his saying, "With desire I desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer" (22:15). The Lord's Supper unmistakably is a memorial, of remembering of Jesus, with special reference to his death. But is that all? The Lord's Supper for us not only looks back in gratitude to God for what he accomplished at Calvary; it looks ahead to the coming of the Lord in the fullness of his Kingdom. The Lord's Supper is likewise a memory and a hope; it is thanksgiving and expectation. A meaningful observance of the Supper is one in which Christians engage together with Christ and with one another in an act of fellowship, grateful remembrance, confident hope, renewal of commitment and thanksgiving for the grace of God.

The Lord's Supper is composed of the real and the symbols. The presence of the Holy Spirit is not a symbol but the real thing. Remembrance, hope, fellowship, and proclamation are not symbols. These are necessary life experiences that must be present for true meanings.

The bread and the wine are symbols. The bread is a symbol of the body that was given freely. The cup of wine is symbol of the new covenant relationship between man and God. Man's sin had interrupted the relationship between man and God. It cost the life of God to restore the lost relationship between God and man.

The shadow of the cross became the heavier at the garden where he went to pray. "He was in agony," Jesus was 33, and no one wants to die at 33. The Greek word for agony is used of someone who is fighting a battle with sheer fear. This was a turning point in history. Jesus could turn back and refuse the cross. But the man Christ Jesus sweated it out and He won.

Barclay tells the story of a famous pianist who said of Chopin's "Nocturne in C Sharp Minor," "I must tell you about it. Chopin told Liszt and Liszt told me. In this piece all is sorrow and trouble. Oh such sorrow and trouble! — until he begins to speak to

God, to pray; then it is all right."

This was the way it was with Jesus. He went into the garden in agony, sorrow, and trouble. But the words "Thy will be done" made the difference. Life's hardest task is to accept what we cannot understand; but we can do even that if we are sure enough of the love of God. Jesus was speaking to His Father, "Thy will be done."

The shadow of a cross is always before us. The task of Christ can be accepted or rejected. It is not easy to see "self" die that the new life of Christ might live. But the thought "Thy will be done" is the only way to overcome the agony. This life is possible when we are willing to accept the real cross. The shadow is not the real thing, but the real thing is what opens the way to greater blessings.

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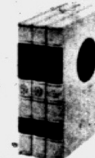
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State Churches Earn Advanced Honors In Achievement Guide

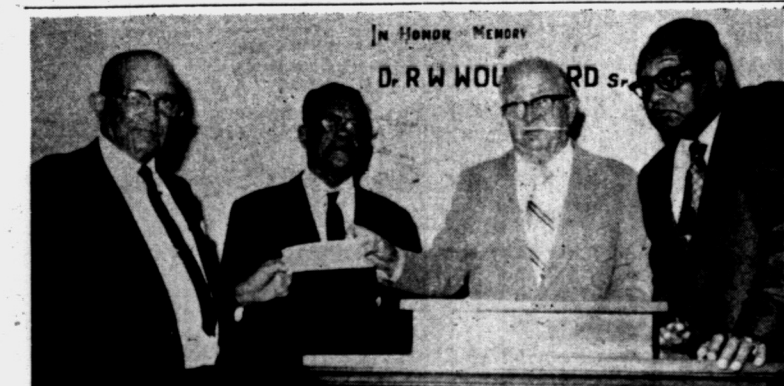
Five Mississippi churches highlight the responses during February to the Church Training Achievement Guide, according to Kermit S. King, Department Director.

Earning Advanced Recognition in the use of the guide during February were Parkway, Desoto, Pastor, Rev. Aaron Lewis, Church Training Director, Bill Tapp; First, Kosciusko, Attala, Pastor, Rev. Harold Kitchings, Director, Guy Barrett; McLaurin Heights, Rankin, Pastor, Eugene Dobbs, Director, Don Davis; Oakland, Alcorn, Pastor, Rev. Julian West, Di-

rector, Arthur Geisler; and Tishomingo Chapel, Alcorn, Pastor, Robert McCullar, Director, Carrol Talley.

Eight other churches attained Merit Recognition during the month. These were Calvary, Marshall; First, Pontotoc, Pontotoc; Parkway, Chickasaw; Arkabutla, Tate; First, Pascagoula, Jackson; Immanuel, Bolivar; Belle Fountain, Jackson; and First, Moss Point, Jackson.

At the end of February Jackson Association led the state in the number of churches attaining recognition with Alcorn and Monroe next in order.



\$2,000 Presented To Mississippi Baptist Seminary

On the left, Rev. Boyd Hollimon presents Rev. A. T. Walker a check for \$2,000 for the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, from the South Mississippi Convention. Rev. D. B. Barnes, standing next to Mr. Hollimon, is vice-president of the South Mississippi Convention. In the picture beside Mr. Walker is Dr. T. B. Brown, president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary System. Mr. Walker is Dean of the Southern Center, Hattiesburg, and Area Secretary for National Baptists. Dr. Richard Brogan is state secretary of Work with National.

Devotional

A Song From Prison

By Dr. Don H. Stewart

John Bunyan wrote, "Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." "If not," you might say, "what does constitute a prison?" Is not the prison within the man? Many a free man has died a slave. And, many a slave has died free. For real freedom is a spiritual gift of God. It lifts man out of the prisons of life and enables him to soar to the heights above the storms.



Last week we considered the challenge of the robin and of the nightingale. They sing in the storm and in the dark. This week we face a challenge in the songs of the skylark and the canary. The skylark sings above the clouds. It is as if he sings his song that it might fall only on the ears of God. The canary sings lustily in spite of his cage. He is imprisoned in body, but he is not imprisoned in spirit. His song breaks forth through the iron bars, because he sings the song of freedom.

Have you ever felt yourself a stranger in your own home? Have you ever felt imprisoned there? At some time in our lives, we have all felt that we were unwelcomed or unappreciated by those around us. IN A SENSE, that is the way more and more Christians are feeling about the presence of the church in America. Whereas, for most of her history, America has been guided by the truths of God, was founded upon those truths, and has promoted them, NOW it seems that paganism and personalism have made us prisoners in our own land. We feel like strangers. We sense defeat and become despondent. Is it possible that we might rise above the clouds in order to sing a song of praise to God? Is it possible that we can sing out of our prison a song of deliverance? One Psalmist asked that same question as he spoke for Captive Israel:

We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst of (of Babylon). For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song; saying, Sing us one of the songs of Zion. (But), how shall we sing, the Lord's song in a strange land? Psalm 137:2-4

Another Psalmist wrote assuringly of God's marvelous provisions. He declared:

Thou art my hiding place thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.—Psalm 32:7

Home Missions is our Convention emphasis this week. We do find ourselves in danger of being captives and strangers in our own homeland. For instance, A graduate of William Carey College was attacked in a ghetto of Buffalo, New York, where he now serves as a US-2 missionary. Should he quit? Should we quit? Or should we give and pray that we might continue to sing the song of God (Zion) from the prisons of the ghetto? the reservation? Appalachia? Ignorance? Poverty? emptiness? addiction? materialism? We may be overwhelmed by these problems, but in Christ, we are not overcome by them! We will lift our voices and sing. We will sing God's song from prison.

Cooperville Plans To Burn Note

Cooperville Church, Scott County, will hold homecoming day and special noteburning services Sunday, March 19, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Former pastor Bob Hamilton will be guest speaker. All charter members will be given recognition. Lunch will be served at the church. Afternoon services will feature the Travelers Quartet and The Green Family. Plans Committee chairman is Mrs. Roy Everett.

All former members, former pastors and friends are invited, states the pastor, Rev. Terrell Stringer.

Ridgeland Begins Six-Weeks SS Attendance Campaign

Rev. Jerry D. Odom, pastor, reports that a six-weeks Sunday School attendance campaign is underway at Ridgeland Church. The campaign, which began March 5 and continues through April 9, has as its theme, "Jesus Christ is Lord."

Sunday school attendance has been averaging 230 since October, 1971, according to Mr. Odom. Goals have been set by each department to reach 301 each Sunday for six weeks. Also a goal of 50 new members has been set.

Revival Dates

First Church, Wiggins: March 17-19; youth-led revival; Rev. David Rogers, student at Mobile College, evangelist; Lewis Oswalt, student at Southeastern Louisiana University, song leader; services 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday and Sunday and 11 a.m. Sunday morning; periods of fellowship and entertainment following the services; Rev. James W. Street, pastor; Lynn T. Oswalt, associate pastor.

Derby Church near Poplarville: March 5-10; Rev. John E. Smith, Hanahan, S. C., evangelist; Rev. Buck Jones of Columbus, Ga., song leader; (the "Harmonettes" from Charleston, S. C. sang on Saturday night and Sunday); Rev. Jim Waller, pastor; services at 7 p.m.

Calvary Church, Pascagoula: March 15-19; services at 7:30 p.m. and at 11 a.m. during week and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Buddy Mathis, pictured, evangelist; Terry Veazey of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, directing the music; (Evangelist Buddy Mathis grew up in Calvary); Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor.

Ridgeland Church, Ridgeland: youth-led revival: Discover His Way; March 10, 11, 12; 7:00 each evening and 11:00 Sunday morning. Tim Snowden, junior at Mississippi College, preacher; Lynn Madden, minister of music, leading music; (After-hours fellowships are planned for the youth); Rev. Jerry D. Odom, pastor.



Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell

Preparing For Mexican Ministry

Rev. Larry Mitchell is pastor of First Baptist Mission, Poteet, Texas. He and his wife, Norma, are students of Mexican Baptist Bible Institute, San Antonio, Texas. They are preparing for a ministry among Spanish-speaking Mexicans.

Southern Baptists Plan Their Ninth Triennial Workshop

NASHVILLE — The Ninth Triennial Architects' Workshop, sponsored by the church architecture department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, is to be held March 13-16 at Roger Miller's King of the Road Motor Inn here.

following his second dive of the day. He plans to land on the pitchers plate.

Reservations for the full days activity, which includes a free lunch catered by Morrison's Food Service in the school cafeteria, should be made by mail or by phone to the Director of Admissions, William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401.



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STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT, JOHN ALEXANDER, DIRECTOR.

Members of the Baptist and Methodist congregations of Curtis Union Church gathered on Feb. 6, for groundbreaking ceremonies for a new church building. Holding the spade to break the first shovel of dirt is L. E. Thomas, Sr., chairman of the building committee. Next right is Rev. Crawford Ray, Methodist pastor, and next on the front row is Rev. Billy McDaniel, Baptist pastor.

Baptists And Methodists At Curtis Building A New House Of Worship

By Ruth Bradley

The Union Church in Curtis where Baptist and Methodist congregations have worshipped together for thirty-five years, is building a new brick edifice on the grounds where a long structure has served since 1937.

Ground-breaking for the new \$50,000 building was held Feb. 6, between showers of rain. On hand for the event were about 35 people, members of both denominations.

The building will contain 4800 sq. ft. of floor space and will be ornamented with cathedral glass windows and a tall spire. In addition to the sanctuary, it will contain six Sunday school rooms, a baptistry, a fellowship hall with adjoining kitchen, and two tiled baths.

Plans are to use the hand carved lectern, the altar chairs and the pews that are still in use in the present church building. These furnishings were antiques when they were purchased and are now more than 100 years old.

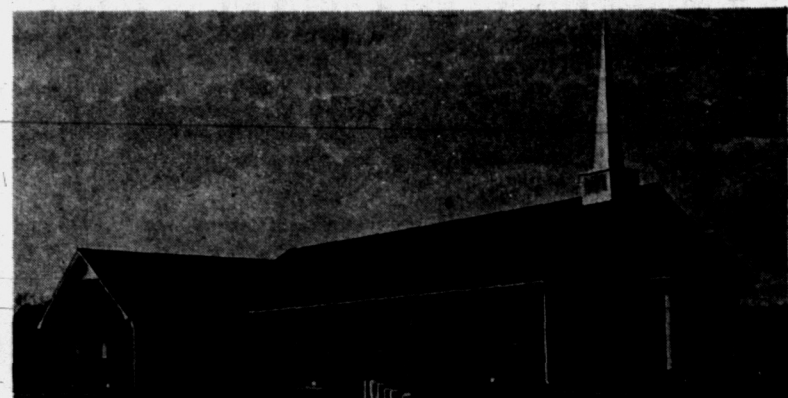
As a union church to serve both

ing for a ministry among Spanish-speaking Mexicans.

Mr. Mitchell preaches in two languages, Spanish and English, and then leads the choir at the mission in rendering special music in the two languages. The older Mexicans have not learned English, while the younger ones have. Thus, everyone who attends the worship service can hear in his respective languages.

Formerly of Highland Church, Crystal Springs, Mr. Mitchell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Mitchell, Crystal Springs, Miss.

ist pastor. To the left of Mr. Thomas are Mrs. E. R. Milam, Lent Thomas Jr., Billy Austin and Alton Milam, members of the building committee. Extreme right is Rev. G. E. Jolly, Panola County Baptist missionary. The two men standing to Jolly's right are Billy Burnett and Thomas Burnett, contractors.



The new Union church will be a replica of the Methodist church at Pope.

Methodist and Baptist congregations, ground was broken in 1935 on an acre of land, given by Carrier Lumber Company.

At that time, Curtis was just evolving from a sawmill settlement into a permanent community. The entire area was a woodland and the time of the depression was at hand when building materials were not obtainable. The people decided to build a church of cypress logs. Many years later it was found necessary to apply clapboard to the outside of the church for protection against weather damage to the mortar, but the inside of the church is still today of logs and mortar.

Services are every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. On the first and third Sundays the Methodist pastor, Rev. Crawford Ray, delivers the message. On the second and fourth Sundays, Rev. Billy

McDaniel, Baptist pastor, is in the pulpit. The fifth Sundays are alternated throughout the year. Members of both denominations attend all services. After the preaching service, Sunday school is held in classes attended by members of both denominations with teachers and officers from both. Baptist literature is used for a year and Methodist literature is taught the next year. The Sunday school collection is used to buy church school literature and pays the bills for heat, lights and water. Collections from church services alternate with the congregations. There are about 50 active members of both congregations in the church.

It is a rare situation, seldom seen, with two distinct denominations working together to build and maintain a common house of the Lord and enjoying the services and fellowship of each other.



Spring Hill pastorium was dedicated a short time ago.

Spring Hill Dedicates Pastorium

Spring Hill Church, Calhoun Association recently dedicated a new pastorium to the Lord.

The church, organized in 1845, remains on the same ground where it was first erected, but in 1959, under the leadership of Rev. John Allen Wade, the church built the present building. For several years it continued on a half-time basis, meeting and using pastors from neighboring churches at early services in the morning and evening. But in 1968, under the leadership of Rev. James Bryant, the church voted to have a full-time program. Many said the church could not do this. The church started looking for a full-time pastor and called Rev. John Paul Jones. Under his leadership the church built the pastor a new home and within three years the debt was paid in full.

In 1970, under the leadership of the present pastor, Rev. Kenneth McMillen, the church built and opened a well-equipped library with a qualified librarian. Twelve months after it had opened, the church had over 200 books, periodicals and films.

In 1971 the church remodeled the entire plant, installing carpet, new pews, drapes and equipment for the organizations. All this cost over \$4,000 and not one cent was borrowed. Other church programs and expenses went on unaffected by these special gifts. One man had this to say, "If anything is not worth sacrificing for, we don't need it."

"This is all our people's attitude. Instead of a dying church I believe you will find in Spring Hill one of the greatest churches among the rural areas," states their pastor.

"Spring Hill used to be a large rural church," he explains, "but in membership has declined from over 300 members in the early 1900s to 60 resident members. Most people said it was dead or dying years ago, but the remarkable thing about this is that almost 50 of these 60 resident members came regularly and we prob-



Spring Hill has burned the note on the debt-free pastorium.

ably average 90 per cent of the membership in Sunday school and 80 per cent in Church Training. Last year these thirteen families paid to the Lord's work almost \$13,000."



The Building Committee and pastor are shown at the groundbreaking service, Mt. Zion (DeSoto). Left to right: C. B. Downer, Tom Laughter, Marvin Rhoda, James Wilkinson, Robert Waldon, Rev. Eugene Howell, pastor.

Mt. Zion Building Auditorium

Several weeks ago Mt. Zion Church in DeSoto Association observed ground-breaking for their new building. Plans are to begin immediately with construction. This will provide the church with a new auditorium, several new Sunday School rooms and restrooms. Rev. Eugene Howell, pastor since 1968, tells that the total receipts have gone from less than

\$2000 to almost \$10,000, the grand total mission gifts from less than \$200 to over \$2000. Since 1968 the grand total membership has grown from 81 to 139. Dennis Conniff, associate, state Sunday School Department, has assisted the church in basic planning. At the same time, they will re-work their old building for additional educational space.

Off The Record

The lawyer was not at all pleased with his new secretary.

"Every time I want you for dictation, Miss Jones, you're on the phone," he complained.

"They're all business calls, sir," said the secretary.

"Well, then," said the lawyer, "in the future, please don't address my clients as 'darling'."

—Roger Trask

One of these new sports cars speeding 60 miles an hour along the highway would hop straight up in the air about every 50 feet. A trooper finally overtook the midget motor and brought it to a stop.

"What's the idea of that car jumpin' that way?" asked the cop.

The driver answered: "Why, officer, there's nothing wrong with the car. I've got the hiccups."

—Theresa Brown

The boy asked his father, "Dad, what is influence?"

Replied the father, "Son, influence is a thing you think you have until you try to use it."

—Peter Salmon

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